

B. Secondary Data

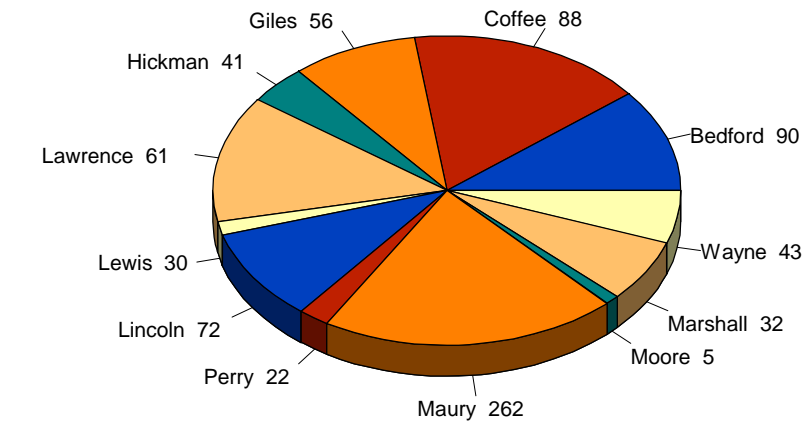
Summary of Data Used

Educational Attainment:

The high school dropout rate for the county was 6.7% for 1997-1998 (262 students). This was higher than the regional rate of 4.1% and the state rate of 4.4%. Teen pregnancy, poor grades, drug and/or alcohol abuse, and long hours on a job are some of the things that directly effect the dropout rate.

High School Dropouts by County (Grades 9-12)

South Central Region



Number of dropouts 1997- 98

For fiscal year 1997-1998, 27.7% of the students in Maury County participate in the school lunch program receiving lunch at free or reduced prices. This is less than the state rate of 33.1%.

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The Maury County Health Council was presented with statistics concerning reportable diseases and causes of death within the county. The Health Council also reviewed the number of teen pregnancies that had occurred in Maury County over a ten-year time